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# Town Crier



A Newsletter from the Town of Warrenton

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# **First Night Warrenton**

Bring In 2015 In Old Town

Whether you're an old timer, pining for the good old days of Guy Lombardo, or a youngster, who's more hip to "New Years Rockin' Eve," you'll love First Night Warrenton, a family-friendly arts-oriented celebration of the New Year.

First Night Warrenton is a tradition in the Town, a celebration for all that's great in a small community like Warrenton. It features a variety of different entertainment at numerous venues all over Town, hayrides, and an assortment of edible treats. The celebration closes with a grand illumination and a verse or two of Auld Lang Syne on the steps of the old courthouse at midnight.

The best thing about First Night is that there's something for everyone. At some venues you'll find music and entertainment for kids and families, and at other sites the joint will be jumping with rock, blues or music genres from all over the world.

With last year's beautiful weather, an estimated 2,300 people visited Old Town Warrenton for First Night. Different entertainers performed at over a dozen different sites – from local churches to the Odd Fellows Lodge.

The Town, and the Warrenton Christmas Parade, have partnered together with Bluemont to arrange the entertainment. Bluemont has a long history with the Town, presenting the Bluemont Concert Series all summer on the Warren Green lawn, and arranging entertainment for First Night and other events.

This year's celebration is sure to have the best in music, magic, puppets, and other fun entertainment. As always, First Night Warrenton is committed to being family-friendly, so it's alcohol-free, affordable, and fun for the whole family!



Make your plans
now for a wonderful New Year's Eve celebration with friends
and neighbors on the streets of Old Town Warrenton. As
plans begin to come together for First Night, you can check
the list of entertainers scheduled at the Bluemont website,
www.bluemont.org. When the list is finalized, it will also be
published in local papers.



# **First Night Warrenton**

Wednesday, December 31, 2014

7:00 PM to Midnight

\$10 per person \$8 for seniors (65+) \$5 for kids (ages 3-12) Kids under three get in free

For more information: www.bluemont.org (540) 955-8186

## **Meet Warrenton's New Mayor**

Powell L. Duggan officially became Warrenton's Mayor this July 1, after four-term Mayor George Fitch decided not to run for a fifth term. Mr. Duggan, former Ward 1 councilman since 2008, ran unopposed in the May 2014 election. His term as mayor will run until June 2018.

A well-known attorney in Warrenton, Mr. Duggan is a partner with Walker Jones, PC, which he joined in 1980. He has served as the past Chair of the Board of Governors of the Virginia Bar General Practice Section, Vice Chair of the State Bar's Seventh District Ethics Committee, and past President of the Fauquier Bar Association.

In the community, Mr. Duggan has served as President of both the Warrenton Rotary Club and Hospice Support of Fauquier County.

Mr. Duggan received his law degree from the Washington & Lee University School of Law in 1980, and a BA in history from George Mason University in 1975.

He and his wife, Nancy, live in Warrenton. ■





## Christmas in Old Town Warrenton

#### **Christmas Parade.**

Friday, December 5 at 6 p.m.

(Info@WarrentonChristmasParade.com for more info)
Immediately following the parade will be the
Tree Lighting Ceremony.

## **Holiday Festivities.**

Fridays, Dec. 12 and Dec. 19 (6-9 p.m.)

Horse-drawn Hayrides . Music . Live Performances . Craft, Food and Activity Booths . Santa Claus . GumDrop Square .

### GumDrop Square (Santa Claus)

Fridays: Dec. 5 (following the parade)

& Dec. 12 & 19 6-9 p.m.

Saturdays: Dec. 6, 13 & 20 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

Sundays: Dec. 7, 14 & 21 1—3 p.m.

For more information please visit www.PartnershipforWarrenton.org

To find out more about how you can become a part of these Old Town Warrenton holiday traditions, please call 540-349-8606

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## WARF News

### From the Town of Warrenton Parks and Recreation Department

### New WARF Membership Guide Available Online

Whether you're a new member, an existing member or someone interested in learning more about the WARF, the new online WARF Membership Guide provides you with important WARF related information. The Guide is designed to introduce you to the facility and its amenities, programs, offerings, policies, rules and guidelines.

The new and improved version of the WARF Membership Guide was posted on our "Rates & Membership" webpage in September to make it more easily accessible to our membership community. The improved version includes an interactive table of contents to make navigation easier, and imbedded "quick links" to other valuable information provided within our website. Since its launch, new and renewing members are receiving a card with the WARF Membership Guide URL and a QR code that can be used by your smart phone or tablet to take you directly to the new guide's location on the web. Please take a look at what WARF has to offer. You can find the guide at:

http://www.warrentonva.gov/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=QkY RCp49Ws0%3d&tabid=198

## **New Marketing Coordinator**

WARF is pleased to welcome Ben Cordy as its new Marketing Coordinator. Ben handles all of the WARF's graphics and media projects. You may contact him at bcordy@warrentonva.gov.



## **High School Swim Season Preview**

The 2014 – 2015 High School Swim Season at the WARF will run from Monday, November 10, 2014 through Friday, February 20, 2015. Local schools will be practicing weekdays in the early morning hours as well as in the afternoons/evenings from 3:00 – 9:00 PM. Please expect higher volumes of swimmers in the pool during these times. A current Lap Lane Availability Schedule and Swim Meet Schedule, reflecting pool usage and any closures during this time, will be available at the front desk or on the WARF website. Any pool and/or facility closures will be posted in advance in the facility, on our website, and in our monthly



newsletter. Thank you for supporting our high school swimmers.

Please go to the WARF's website at www.warrentonva. gov/parks&rec/warf/facilityschedule or like us on Facebook to keep up to date on pool and/or facility closures for scheduled swim meets.

#### **Inclement Weather Notices**

In the event of inclement weather, please visit www. cancellations.com and search under org name: "WARF" for any weather related delays, cancellations or early closures at the WARF.



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# Gym Equipment Etiquette and Pointers

With flu season upon us, here are some helpful tips for protecting yourself when using the WARF gym equipment:

Wipe Down Machines – When you are in the Fitness Room or taking a class, one of the best ways to keep yourself from coming into contact with germs is to wipe down the machines and mats before you use them. In a perfect world, everyone would clean up after they use the machines, but since you can't know for sure who has cleaned up and who hasn't, wipe down the machine before you use it. Once you're done, wipe it down again so that you don't leave your sweat and germs behind. Wipes are available in the Fitness Room and the Group Fitness classes.

**Gym Towel** – Another way to minimize your contact with other people's germs is to bring or rent a gym towel. Place it over the machine you're using so that you sit on the towel instead of the machine. You can also use it as an exercise mat on the floor if you need to do any stretches or floor exercises. Gym towels are available for rental at the Front Desk.

**Wash Your Hands** – After you're finished with your workout or using the restroom, wash your hands thoroughly with warm water and soap. This will drastically reduce the amount of germs on your hands.

Clean Clothes – If you wear the same shirt every day, you may want to change your habits. When you sit on a machine, bacteria will cling to your clothes. Bacteria can start to multiply rapidly. Wearing the same clothes more than once without washing can give opportunity for bacteria to move onto your body and could make you sick. ■



## 'Tis the Season

Our collective fingers are crossed with the approaching winter season, particularly with the unusually mild summer. With winter comes the "S" word (snow). This is a friendly reminder to those with sidewalks along their property to be sure to clear the snow and ice off the sidewalks to help those that depend on their feet to get around town. Here are a couple of tips to ease the tension between the street snowplow crews and residents:

1. Try and hold off shoveling your sidewalk and driveway until the crews have completed plowing on your street.

2. When shoveling/clearing the driveway, throw the snow to the right of the driveway (facing the street), especially the snow at the entrance. The plows approach your driveways from the left, and if deposited on that side, chances are it will end up back in the driveway.

## **Snow Emergency Routes**

The Streets listed below are officially designated as Snow Emergency Routes, and it's unlawful for any person/business to park a vehicle on any of these streets during snow emergencies.

Alexandria Pike
Blackwell Road
Bear Wallow Road
Broadview Avenue
Culpeper Street
East & West Shirley Ave.
Falmouth Street

Frost Avenue (Rt. 211)
Lee Highway
Lee Street
Main Street
Waterloo Road
Waterloo Street
Winchester Street

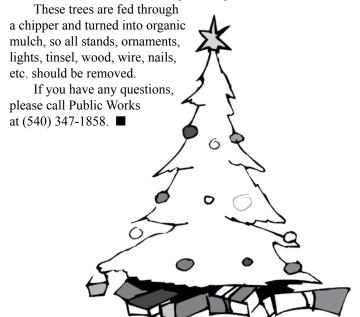
Vehicles that are stalled, stuck, parked or abandoned on any of these streets during a snow emergency may be removed by the police at the owner's expense.

During snowstorms, when the Town's trucks are out spreading chemicals or plowing, they start with the arterial roads first (main roads). Once they feel they have the main roads under control they will start spreading/plowing the secondary roads (side streets). During major storms that require plowing, the snow is pushed to the right side toward the curb or road edge. During snow storms if there is any way possible for those residents who have on-street parking to park their vehicles off the road, this would make it easier for the trucks to plow and also keep your vehicles from being plowed in. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Please help us as we attempt to make our Town streets safe and clean. Any questions regarding Town ordinances or snow emergency may call Public Works at (540) 347-1858. ■

# O, Tannenbaum, Your Time Is Gone...

After you've enjoyed your Christmas tree, why not return it to nature by recycling it? The Town makes it easy. As a free service to residents, Town crews will begin picking up Christmas trees the week of January 5th. Just place your tree at the street line by 8:00 AM on Monday, January 5. Crews will collect trees throughout that week, starting at one end of Town and working their way to the other side. Trees not at the street line will not be picked up.



# Holiday Refuse Schedule

#### Thanksgiving - November 27

Monday, 11/24/14 – Regular refuse collection
Tuesday, 11/25/14 – Regular refuse collection
Wednesday, 11/26/14 – Recycling collection
(cardboard, newspaper and blue bags)
Thursday, 11/27/14 – Holiday; no refuse collection
Friday, 11/28/14 – Holiday; no refuse collection

#### Christmas - December 25

Monday, 12/22/14 – Regular refuse collection
Tuesday, 12/23/14 – Regular refuse collection
Wednesday, 12/24/14 – Recycling collection
(cardboard, newspaper and blue bags)
Thursday, 12/25/14 – Holiday; no refuse collection
Friday, 12/26/14 – To be announced at a later date

#### **New Years Day - January 1**

Monday, 12/29/14 – Regular refuse collection Tuesday, 12/30/14 – Regular refuse collection Wednesday, 12/31/14 – Recycling collection (cardboard, newspaper and blue bags) Thursday, 1/1/15 – Holiday; no refuse collection Friday, 1/2/15 – To be announced at a later date

NOTE: A refuse truck will be available at the Public Works Facility (360 Falmouth Street) during the holidays. ■

# Time To Claim Your Bags Again

The Town of Warrenton would like to remind all Town residents that it's trash bag pick up time again. The new bag distribution season began October 1.

For those citizens new to the area, the Town of Warrenton gives out one free box of one hundred free trash bags to each Town residence per year. The Town also furnishes residents and businesses with free recycling bags.

The free bags are available at the Visitor Center (33 N. Calhoun Street) seven days a week from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. You'll need to show some type of ID that shows your Town address.

Please note that recycling bags will not be picked up if used for trash bags, or if the wrong items are placed in them.

If you have any questions about the bags or the recycling programs, call Public Works at (540) 347-1858. If you have questions about picking up your bags, you may call the Visitor Center at (540) 341-0988. ■

Get your free bags at the Warrenton Visitor Center!

## **Feed the Birds**

The same qualities that attract us humans to Warrenton also attract birds. They are frequent visitors to the lovely trees and yards of Town, and a reminder that life is good here.

Setting up a backyard bird feeder is a wonderful way to enjoy these fascinating creatures, especially in winter when food is scarce. For a small investment in a feeder and a bag of seed, you and your family can enjoy the birds up close through the coming cold months of winter.

A bird feeding station is inexpensive, and a terrific way to share the wonders of nature with children. You can find feeders and bird seed at several stores around Warrenton.

Give bird watching a try! While you are safe and warm inside, they will entertain you for hours right outside your window.



# **Got Leaves?**Second Leaf Collection Coming

The Town's second leaf collection is scheduled for December 1-12. All property owners are requested to rake their leaves to the street line by 8:00 AM on their first scheduled pick-up day. Please don't rake leaves into ditch lines or gutters; this can cause clogging of storm water runoff. Also, make sure you locate your leaves so that vehicles are not blocking them. This makes it difficult for Town crews to get to the leaves. One more thing... please don't put brush, limbs, rocks or other debris with the leaves.

To find out what days we'll be in your area, see the schedule below and the area map on page 7, or check the town's web site at warrentonva.gov. You can also call Public Works at (540) 347-1858.

After completion of the second collection there will be limited collection up through January 9. After that, any remaining leaves will have to be bagged and set out with household refuse.

If you have any questions please call Public Works at (540) 347-1858. ■

Leaf Collection Schedule (See area map on page 7)

Area A December 1 & 2
Area B December 3 & 4
Area C December 5 & 8
Area D December 9 & 10
Area E December 11 & 12

## Don't Forget...



2014 Real Estate and Personal Property Tax bills are due December 15, 2014.

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7 Town Crier Issue 4, 2014 **Town Area Map** (for special collections) clowes DR WATERLO THE POWLE TEE POWLE Area A includes: West side of Broadview Avenue (even house numbers). SEENIC O Area B includes: South side of Waterloo Street (even house numbers), and Culpeper Street from Beckham to Main Street. Area C includes: All of Academy Hill Road. Area D includes: North side of Waterloo Street (odd house numbers), east side of Broadview Avenue and Lee Highway (odd house numbers), all of Winchester Street, and south side of Alexandria Pike/Blackwell Road. Area E includes: West side of Lee Highway, Blackwell Road, Oak Springs Drive, and

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north side of Blackwell/Alexandria Pike, and Walker Drive from Blackwell to Estate

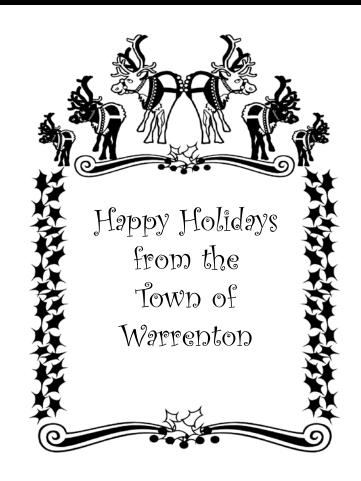
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## Town Office Hours and Telephone Numbers Town Office Hours are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

The area code is 540 unless otherwise noted.

Finance Department	347-1102
Fire Department	
Inspections	
Maintenance Shop	
Police Department	
Office of the Chief	347-1105
Police Station	
Non-emergency	
Emergency	
Planning and Zoning	
Recreation Department (Aquatic Center)	
Recycling	
Sewage Plant	
Town Hall	
Town Manager	
Utilities	
Water Bills	347-2678
Water Plant	
TTD/TTY	1-800-828-1120

**After Hours Water and Sewer Emergency** 347-1100



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